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THE FIGHT WILL CONTINUE.

was first called to this article by an money trying to do for themselves. The contradiction has been pointed out editorial quotation in the Richmond what private interests can do better. by H. G. Wells in his book, "Mankind Virginian on last Sunday. The Times-Dispatch now desires to tell the Blackstone Courier and the Virginian that this is the only reason prompt notice unfounded assault.

the people of Virginia that it has been made the object of concerted and careto divert attention from this important and desired reform, not by justifying a venomous and personal attack upon upon us and the flerceness of the anger how well the fee system supporters of

The Times-Dispatch has aroused the officers can be expelled from their strongly intrenched position. The issue successfully. The Blackstone Courier Democratic primaries." may not know it, the sound of the The Newport News Press considers

The announcement that the Virginia Power Company will no longer give free current to certain departments of the city of Elchmond is sensible and be such in fact as well as in name.

bosses seek to introduce in primaries ing with the purchase of motorcars, to assist in the execution of their evil designs. A Democratic primary should be such in fact as well as in name. encouraging There is no reason why THE MAN NOHODY LOVES.

company. Such transformers should be limity, "Oh, if that is the way you feel. Aside from humidity, temperature, installed by authority of the Adminis- about it, you needn't pay it at all thunder, lightning and wind, we sup-

deprived of free current.

The encouraging part of this is that Business Office Times-Dispatch Building it puts the municipal electric business on a sane base. It relieves Richmond We could not do without him if we of any obligation to the power com- would. Some are so polite and company. When every charge is made panionable that we deliberately dribagainst the city plant that should be ble them along, loath to part with such plant is a good business proposition, payments that they are compelled to resulting in economical electricity for call again. The bill collector is a real the city. If the plant cannot supply benefactor, because he makes us live this current at as cheap, if not cheaper, up to our obligations. He teaches rates than these charged by a private promptness and punctuality. Only he company, then something is funda- and death are our certain visitors. He mentally wrong with the whole theory. is usually a model of that patience and tricity as to gas. The entire conduct their purpose. The bill collector, long of this utility should be segregated denied, oft rebuffed, finally succeeds in from other city business. Its affairs persuading us to give him what is his should be arranged just as are those of so that he may "render unto Caesar a private undertaking. Interest, taxes, the things that are Caesar's." depreciation and other charges should be booked against the plant. In turn, it should charge every kilowatt of current used by Richmond against the de-An attack on The Times-Dispatch partment using it. In the end this will kind of marriage: those of the body and and its proprietors was printed in the be only a matter of bookkeeping, but those of the mind and spirit. The pres-

The attention of The Times-Dispatch renders service cheaply, or wasting sometimes at the expense of the other.

PARTY REGISTRATION.

In a recent issue The Times-Dispatch declared that a system of party Virginia for the preservation of the Democratic party. Such a device will ton Forge and Richmond. With well- tration is meant that at the time for simulated indignation, those who dare registration as a voter the citizen has and openly support the iniquity and the filiation, which is indicated in a coloffense of the fee system have sought umn of the registry book. A roll of party voters is then made up from cf inheritance are thoroughly known. the existence of the fee system, but by registry list for the ensuing primary men and women of inferior bodies or The Times-Dispatch. The bitterness of provided whereby voters may be check- marry for lofty motives. The inferior the assaults which have been made ed up and persons unentitled to vote in types are the a party primary challenged. Public merely physical consideration appeal record takes the place of unverified most potently. They will never assertion. The test exacted might be strain themselves. The feeble-minded this State appreciate the peril of their that the voter declare at the time of are given to indiscriminate matings present position. An awakened and party registration that he is in gen- with no thought of posterity. eral sympathy with the party, that he On the other hand, as Wells point

of Virginia for this fight. Not even the of its nominating methods. The party all, is the end most longed for,

coming storm may not have reached ours a "valuable suggestion," and is THE AUTOMOBILE IN THE SOUTH. no concern in Irvington, but the change may be, there can be no two opinions require the registration of automobiles, to-day's paper on "Norfolk's Fighting is coming all the same. The fee system on this point that the political status the number of automobiles, the populegalized extertion can neither halt Under the present system, as our connor deflect this paper by any of the lemporary points out, there is no offlmethods they have as yet discovered, cial record to show who on the regis-Its plain duty is to inform, encourage tration books are Democrats and who and assist the people of Virginia in are not. If the voter is challenged, their fight for political freedom. This the judge is embarrassed. Moreover, duty it will gladly and heartily con- the present method is "open to abuse and fraud." The Press takes advanced

is kept alive in the minds of the peo- its fold. It must rid itself of those urv of Virginia \$47,930.79, which, under who are Democrats for one day only, the act of 1916, is appropriated for ex-It must put up the bars against the penditure upon the public roads. Re-RICHMOND'S ELECTRIC BUSINESS.

Politically alien element that the celpts from this field are ever multiply-bosses seek to introduce in primaries ing with the purchase of motorcars.

corporation that must in many ways body loves and everybody has had a picked his teeth with his pocketbe controlled by the city. This charity visit from him since the first of the knife? arrangement obscured the clean-cut re- month. He is lot the poor bill collations that should exist between the lector. He is the most unjustly unmunicipality and a franchised public popular man that lives and moves and an alumnus of William and Mary Colmunicipality and a framenisci public popular man that lives and moves and an adumnus of William and Mary Colas we remember, the Virginia comHe seeks to make his fellows do only pany gave this small service of current what they have bound themselves deis sure to go. to certain buildings of the city as a liberately to do, and yet such seewls benus for the big contract of lighting and black looks greet him on his. The difference between a politician the streets. Richmond was a large rounds that a foreigner would think and statesman is that the politician buyer of current, and so was granted him a traitor to his country and an wants to get elected. what amounted to a discount or relate in this extra power. Since the opening of the city's own electric plant, the Virginia company has kept on serving these points without charge. The present step is merely to discontinue bim a traitor to his country and an committee of society. His business is to see to it that men live up to the oblipriate arrangements we ever have seen is an editorial article in the Richmond Times-Dispatch of yesterday, headed "Wanted" Virginia Martyrs," followed in the greatest receiver of excuses in the his gratis service.

Wide world. Evasion of the laws pales. This Parthlan shot from the Roanoke
Plain business sense dictates that the beside evasion of the bill collector. Times is pleasant because it is keen city departments buy their necessary Men who make debts they cannot or and amusing, instead of being merely power from the city plant. The muni- will not pay blame it on the collector, sullen and brutish, as are so many of cipal generator was built for precisely With many men, the polite presentation the heavy-handed clouts dealt by the this purpose. It is supposed to supply of a statement of account by a snave Callbans of the Virginia press. We add, the streets and the other city needs, and mannerly young business man is however, that we did not want our Let it undertake this work. There will just like waving a scarlet blanket in martyrs roasted in a modern way, and be a slight mechanical change needed the face of a bull with the toothache, also that gas is a very illuminating at the distribution points, as the city There are men who almost throw fits thing for dark corners. current will have to be transformed to when bills are courteously proffered. Corn on the cob is a favorite midsuit the equipment installed for the and yet if the collector will patiently summer tune. potential furnished by the Virginia listen and then say with fine magnan-

may control the buildings about to be you suffer that way," the debtor will promptly come around and apologize for having made a fool of himself.

The bill collector is indispensable. made, we can judge of whether the delightful company, making such small The same principles apply to elec- perseverance which ultimately achieve

EUGENICS OF MIND OR BODY!

Manifestly there are two kinds of qualities to be sought in the highest in the Making," and is also hinted at

the eugenist, Charles Darwin; Man is impelled by nearly the same registration must be established in they are left to their own free choice and virtues. On the other hand, he is fully timed attack by the ring organs in Danville, Blackstone, Irvington, Clifqualities. Both sexes ought to refrain not confront an awakened electorate an opportunity to declare his party afsuch hopes are Utopian and will neve

election. In this manner a means is minds are of the kind to refuse to

intends to support its candidates at out, the fine spirits who for some phy the next election, and that he has not sical defect or inherited hindrance are participated in the primaries or elec- most willing to forego marriage by overcome before the bounty-fed fee dorsement of the Lynchburg News and strength is what we should desire to newspaper says that "sooner or later family. By obeying the prohibitions of . the Democratic party of Vir- the eugenist for physical defects, these Dispatch again welcomes an occasion ginia will recognize the need of just people will estop the development of for informing and arming the people that sort of safeguard for the integrity, the higher spiritual type, which, after

commissioners and treasurers' associa- registration plan or designation plan. The answer to this puzzle is sug tions, backed and supported by the fee- has been adopted in many progressive gested in Darwin's words. The laws fattened county clerks, will have such States and with results that appear of inheritance must be more thoroughly plain and easy sailing in 1914 as they to vindicate its efficacy." The News known. We must endeavor to learn trial before the people to show cause year be set aside for the registration culosis, who is ready to give up marwhy they should not be paid for their of party affiliation or independent ringe lest he breed more weaklings, services and not overloaded with un- status, so that a record could be and who has the courage to live up to earned remuneration for their political created that "would render it about his faith, cannot be in some way spared The Times-Dispatch will as difficult as legislation could make this supreme sacrifice so that the race press its campaign unremittingly and it for other than Democrats to vote in may gain in the moral strength which

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Georgia	20,078	2,609,121	7.7
Tennessee	11,225	2,184,789	5.1
Florida	9,578	752,619	13.3
Kentucky	7.500	2,289,905	3.3
N. Carolina.	7,000	2,206,287	3.2
Virginia	6,094	2,061,612	3.0
Arkansas	4,500	1,574,500	2.9
Alabama	4,350	2,138,093	2.0
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torcars is neg	ligible.	Taking th	e white

mer excursion, his democracy will have been proven beyond all possible doubt,

Where is the old-fashioned man that

trative Board, or whatever other boards We'd rather lose the money than have pose the weather is all right.

On the Spur of the Moment

By Roy K. Moulton

Those Foolish Questions. For I know what it will be waste your conversation, Yes, it's hot enough for me,

The Retort Courteous. Said the needle to the stocking: "I'll run you through and through." Said the stocking to the needle: "I'll be darned if you do."

This. That and the Other It has always seemed to us that a freet car conductor has got a snap. When you come to think it over he doesn't have so very much to do. He gets up at 4 o'clock in the morning and takes his car out. lects fares, calls the streets, works his cash register, peddles transfers, helps the women on and off, listens to kicks on the service, directs strangers to every point in the city, gets rid of his counterfeit money, helps with the baggage, changes the trolley, gets out and fights with the coal wagon drivers, turns the seats at the end of the line chewing tobacco to the motorman, answers twenty questions every keeps an eye out for pickpockets and takes the blame for everything that has happened from the San Francisco earthquake to the revision of the After performing these harmtariff. stunts for twelve hours, he has nothing to do till to-morrow,

Pewamo News doesn't go in much for motoring, but uses instead a 1913 model mule, which is a self-starter, never suffers any tire trouble selection do
ne bodily conhis offspring.

"On a couple of recent occasions the to the neighboring village of Lyons, the means of transportation being a mule hitched to a buggy. Some of the boys along the road have attempted a fun 't our expense, but their quips and gibes have fallen on bar-ren ground. We are not ashamed to drive a mule to Lyons or to any other old place, but we object to the farmer's 'houn' dawg,' which chased us for two miles in the belief that we were holding the reins over a longeared Jack rabbit."

> Signs of the Times Nat Goodwin says his latest wife is a splendid business woman. Probably she will demand good alimony when the time comes.

> Andrew Carnegie says he would give all his millions to again, but it is better to be old with money than without it.
> Woodrow Wilson believes the White House grounds is not the piece for a

Perhaps it should be over

at the mint. An Omaha paper runs the weather forecast in the day after. There is nothing like being fastidiously honest. President Wilson is not afraid of hot weather. In some ways Congress

What a corking taxicas driver Cap-tain Kidd would have made. brought down an eagle, but that is nothing for a New Jerseyite. One of them shot at the governorship and A Columbia University student has been refused a diploma because he can't swim. Maybe, however, he could

Voice of the People

To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch;

In the eight Southern States, which Dispatch for its leading editorials in ers, permit me to thank The Times-Patriots" and "The Revolution in Vir-

The personal attacks on the individuals who, as private citizens, control The Times-Dispatch were obvicously intended to divert, if possible,
attention from the real issue. These
Dispatch as a public journal. They are
the personal affairs of individuals, and
will be dealt with by them as they
size mproper.

Meanwhile, the Blackstone Courler
and those who claumer with it need
and overthrown.

The number of negress who own motorcars is negligible. Taking the white
fourlet family in nine
in Florida owns an automobile, one
in flority-six in Virginia,
one in forty-six in

FLIES!

Horse manure is the principal hatching place for files. It can be made sterile with coal oil, carbolic acid, copperas water or dry loam by mixing thoroughly. Horsemen, stablemen, owners of horses and sanitary inspectors, pay attention! Cut this out. Let 1918 be a flyless year-

Abe Martin

Aaron Shot, a charter member o' th' poor farm, has taken out a demit, an' returned t' work. A feller kin fergit t' change his shirt er git shaved, but he allus remembers where he laid a half smoked se-gar.

ARMY OFFICERS COMPLAIN THAT MEN WILL NOT ENLIST IN THE ARMY.

By John T. McCutcheon.



Perhaps the service could be made more attractive to the private soldier.

State. But how shall this be accomplished?

Permit me again to suggest, that instead of going into the primary on August 5 and perpetuating the precincts, and at 12 o'clock hold a convention to be held in Richmond on August 27, which shall duly consider and adopt a platform, setting forth our principles and policy, upon which all candidates for the Legislature and all other offices shall be pledged to stand. They wi thus be pledged to carry out the reforms necessary to make a gov-ernment of the people, by the people for what it has dared to do, and for the people, which means the and for what it proposes to do.

Every citizen of Virginia "must thank God and take fresh courage, first, because The Times-Dispatch has buckled on its armor and declared war against the "machine government" of Virginia—State and county—in which the cities of Norfolk and Alexandria have already enlisted; and second, because it has clearly shown the sole method by which this "solidified hierarchy of human selfishness and personal greed and ambition can be combated and overthrown."

abolition of the fee system; a complete reformation; a complete reformation of the system of taxation; the cities and the nature of a threat.

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now it would be almost impossible to find an unreconstructed Yank, or an unforgiving Johnnie.

A Virginia veteran thought it no harm to let the rising generation see a typical Southern soldier, who decked himself in old thread-bare clothes, patches tied on with willow withes, wrapped his feet in rags, strapped a United States blanket on his back, stuck a corncob pipe with a fig stem in his mouth, marched in ranks as in days of old. After getting to the stone fence some Yank spied one of their men decked out in his old blue uniform, got the two together and made them shake hands under the two flags as they were wafted together by the breeze, which act caused a long and loud cheer, and many cameras were swept on them. The Yank put his hand on the United States blanket and said: "You Johnnies would steal our blankets." The Johnnie quietly replied: "If you Yanks had attended to your business, as you ought to have done, I guess we Johnnies could not have gotten so many." That Confederate veteran frequently scratched limself, reminding all vets of the great luxury we enjoyed when we could rub cur backs against an old hickory tree. A reporter for one paper said that soldier was in the charge of Pickett's Division in 1863. He was not, but sick in a hospital in Lynchburg, where the was ill for three months.

WM. H. TURPIN.

Richmond.

VIEWS OF THE VIRGINIA EDITORS

The Good Side of Criticism.

Whenever some progressive newspaper dares to criticize any condition in Virginia, be it the tax system, the fee system, the election system, the lobby, the machine, or whatever it may be, the cry is sure to be raised that Virginia is being injured abroad by that sort of publicity. Or if a local newspaper dare criticize the city government, or the milk supply, or the public schools, or the unclean streets, or the public service corporations, this or the public service corporations, this uplete citizen and that will bombard the edi-

paper that is the severest critic is also the most enthusiastic booster. If it advertises one evil condition in town, it advertises two unexcelled advantages. Take the issues of the year and add up the figures and you will find that there is ten times as much boosthunch, never the grouch. He is a con-structionist, and, like President Wilson, when he pulls down you may gamble on it that it is a structure which was removal was ne

cated. RICHARD V. GAINES.

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To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
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